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Application No.: 10/578,333	Group Art Unit: 1616
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Title: Mixtures Comprising Strobilurins and Ethylene Modulators	Confirmation No.: 5693

**STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE
INTERVIEW UNDER 37 CFR §1.133**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In accordance with MPEP 713.04, Applicants state that the Examiner's interview summary dated November 17, 2010, summarizes the substance of the interview held on November 9, 2010 between Examiner Schlientz and Applicants' representatives. According to Bartlett, "a variety of physiological processes are directly affected by strobilurins, including . . . ACC synthase and thereby ethylene biosynthesis[.]" Bartlett, page 656, right column, lines 1-4. Thus, a person skilled in the art would consider strobilurins as capable of affecting a variety of physiological process but not necessarily inhibitors of ethylene biosynthesis. Considering the rejections were based on combinations of six references, Applicants urge the Examiner to withdraw the rejection and allow the claims because the reasoning behind adding Bartlett to the other five references is at best a very weak one.

Applicants thank Examiner Schlientz for a helpful and productive interview and look forward to working with Examiner Schlientz to obtain allowance of the pending claims in this application.

If any questions remain, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number given below..

Respectfully submitted,

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